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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday from 9 am – 4 pm

(closed from 12-1pm for lunch)

MASS TIMES:

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 noon (Polish)

Weekdays:

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am

Thursday (Polish) 7:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am & 7:00 pm

CONFESSION TIME:

Saturday 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Friday 9:30 am – 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS:

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday 6:30 pm

BAPTISM:

Contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Priest one year in advance.

ANointing of the Sick:

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your will. Thank you!

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus defeats Satan in the desert, Mark, at his usual breakneck speed, tells the whole Temptation story in one sentence. Matthew ends the story with, "And then Satan left him." John doesn't tell it at all, although there are some parallels in his gospel, particularly when Jesus is tempted to make bread in the wilderness (6:26).

But it's Luke who ends his narrative with that intriguing last sentence, "he departed from him for a time" (4:13). Ah. Isn't that always the way? Is there anyone who has "conquered" an addiction problem who would say that they have never been tempted again, that they don't walk one day at a time, deeply grateful for every moment of freedom?

I wonder if Jesus knew, in the desert, that even though he had just vanquished the Enemy, he wouldn't go away forever, but would lay in wait for three years? Then, like a ravenous lion, he would reappear, "entering into Judas Iscariot" (22:3), who turned Jesus over to the chief priests (22:4).

And thus, it began. Next, Jesus told Simon Peter at the Last Supper that Satan had asked to sift him like wheat" (22:31). We know that Peter did not withstand that challenge, but denied Jesus three times in Caiaphas's courtyard (22:55-62).

But don't miss this: that's not the end of Peter's story. Jesus comforts him at the Last Supper, promising him that he has prayed for him, that he will not fail forever, and that, afterward, he will strengthen the Twelve.

Imagine Jesus saying that to you today. *I have prayed for you, that you have the strength to begin again.* O Jesus, who vanquished our Enemy, pray for us.

Readers, please choose an unknown person in this audience to pray for this Lent.



YOUTH MINISTRY – EDGE NIGHT

When: Friday, March 21st, 2025, | 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Where: Parish Hall

Are you in Grades 5 to Grades 8? This is for you! EDGE is a youth ministry offering fun and engaging experiences about our Catholic faith. We gather monthly on a Friday from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Come join us, meet new friends and find ways to get to know more about our faith.

Register Here:



**EDGE CAMP 2025
AUGUST 20 - 24**

Camp White Pine for Grades 5 to 8.

Registrations and Early Bird deals open on March 1st, 2025. Contact Arlene for more information.

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are now available upon request. Please contact the Parish office to arrange pick up or have them mailed or emailed.



Dear Parishioners,

On Wednesday, we welcomed Lent. It was good to see so many of you during the Ash Wednesday liturgy.

This is my first Lent with you. Let it be a time of sacrifice, spiritual exercises, penance, and mortification, a time of gazing upon the cross. May it be a time of transforming our hearts.

Pope Francis, in his letter for Lent 2025, encourages the faithful to examine their own lives: Are they actively progressing on the path of spiritual renewal, or are they held back by fear and hopelessness, or reluctant to move out of their comfort zone?

Please look at the schedule for Lent and Easter celebrations in the brochures placed next to the bulletin.

May this holy time bring us closer to Jesus and to one another.

Praying for you,
Fr. Pawel

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH BIBLE STUDY



UNLOCKING THE MYSTERIES OF THE BIBLE

Beginning: Tuesday March 11, 2025

1:30pm – 3:00pm for 8 weeks

We are pleased to announce the start of Bible Study at our Parish! *Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible.*

We will meet in Meeting Room 1.

If you are interested in joining, please contact the Parish Office to register.

WEBSITE ISSUES

The editing portal of our parish website is currently down, preventing us from making updates. This issue has impacted all parishes across the GTA, and the Archdiocese of Toronto is actively working to resolve it. We appreciate your patience and encourage you to check our Instagram and bulletin for updates.

THURSDAYS

Every Thursday starting March 6

the schedule will be as follows:

6:30pm – Stations of the Cross – Polish

7:00pm – Mass – Polish

LENTEN FRIDAYS

Every Friday, starting March 7

the schedule will be as follows:

9:00am – Mass followed by Adoration

5:30pm – Lenten Soup in the Parish Hall. (All donations will go to the Poor)

6:20pm – Benediction

6:30pm – Stations of the Cross – English

7:00pm – Mass – English

MARCH 9, 2025

COFFEE SUNDAY

Join us this **Sunday March 9** after all masses in the Parish Hall for coffee and some sweet treats hosted by the Elim Prayer Group. All proceeds go to support Holy Spirit Parish.



FR. PAWEŁ'S BOOK CLUB



The Return of the Prodigal Son

A Story of Homecoming

By: Henri J.M Nouwen

We are pleased to announce the start of our Parish Book Club! All Parishioners, Friends and Family are welcome to read the selected book and join Father Paweł, our Pastor for a book review on Wednesday April 9, 2025, at 7:00pm.

The book is available for purchase after all weekend Masses and in the Parish Office.

ST. VALENTINES DAY DINNER DANCE -THANK YOU

On Saturday Feb

ruary 15, 2025, Holy Spirit Parish held it's annual St. Valentines Day Dance, themed this year "*Escape to the Greek Islands*".

The event raised a total of **\$7,653.95** for the Parish! We would like to thank everyone for your generosity and support for our Parish.

Special thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and efforts for making the event such a great success!

PACZKI DAY -THANK YOU

We are beyond grateful for your incredible support in purchasing paczki donuts—we sold out! Your generosity and participation made this huge success. All proceeds will go toward supporting Holy Spirit Parish. We hope you enjoyed the Paczki with your family and friends! We sincerely apologize to those who were unable to purchase any. We promise to increase our order next year to better meet the demand for these delicious treats!



1st Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

Your love is a guiding light during Lent

Maria, a 64-year-old newcomer to Canada, arrived seeking a fresh start but found herself struggling to find both stable employment and affordable housing. Through your support of ShareLife, she received personalized guidance at Catholic Crosscultural Services that helped her secure both a job and a home. She found stability and peace of mind, giving her the strength to embrace her new life.

Now, she's a guiding light for seniors, helping others access the support that changed her life. This Lent, you can walk the same path as a testament to resilience and the transformative power of community.

As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection **on March 30**, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal of **\$28,000**, addressing the growing needs in our communities.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Daniel, Tom Borowski, Deacon Stephen Booth, Emmett Poole, Jan, Bogusława Sowa, Marianna Kochanska, Sabrina Achaibar, Safarian Family, Linda.

If you would like to mention the name of a loved one who is in need of prayers, please contact the Parish Office either by phone or email:

holyspiritba@archtoronto.org

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY MARCH 11

7:00pm Mass

♦ God's Blessing for Members and Students of the Rosary Apostolate – Marc & Anné Gariepy

WEDNESDAY MARCH 12

9:00am Mass

♦ God's Blessing for Fr. Tadeusz Walczyk

THURSDAY MARCH 13

7:00pm – Polish

† Antonio Di Adamo – Pompea Di Adamo

FRIDAY MARCH 14

9am Mass

♦ In Private Intention

7pm Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY MARCH 15

5pm Mass

† Laurenso Thuan Nguyen – Wife & Nguyen Family

♦ God's Blessing for Anthony Elia – Madigan Family

SUNDAY MARCH 16

8am Mass

† Vera Lavigne – Marylou Linkert

† Lois Langley – John & Rina McErlain

† Pat Gieshe – John & Rina McErlain

10 am Mass

† Rachel Cassar – Cassar Family

♦ God's Blessing for those who serve in the office of our Federal Government

12pm Polish Mass

† Jozef, Loekadia & Jan Karpienia – Daughter

† Mirosław Dutczak, Wanda Ryszard Malczewski, Ted

Dzidek, Jozef Sterenczak – Kuliq Family

♦ God's Blessing for Gawlik Family – Dariusz Zdyb & Family

♦ God's Blessing & Health for Nohara Family – Pierzchala

Family

MARCH FOR LIFE 2025

MAY 8, 2025

We are organizing a day trip by bus to Ottawa to participate in March for Life. The cost for roundtrip transportation will be \$65 per person.

If you are interested in attending, please register with the Parish Office by phone: (705) 722 – 3771 or by email:

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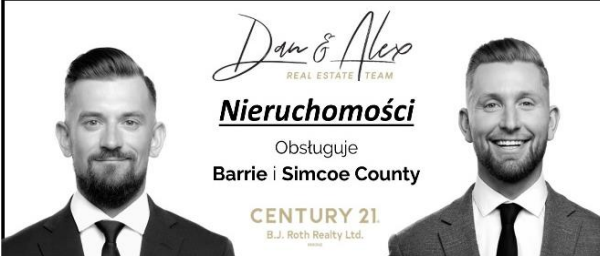
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

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